

HOUSE RESOLUTION 402
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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Marie Flanary on her election as Governor of Tennessee District of Pilot International.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who through their extraordinary efforts have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Marie Flanary of Kingsport, Tennessee, who was recently elected Governor of the Tennessee District of Pilot International; and

WHEREAS, Pilot International, a volunteer service organization founded in 1921, is comprised of business and professional leaders who share a common desire to help people in need and make the world a better place to live; and

WHEREAS, there are over 25,000 members of Pilot International around the globe in countries such as the Bahamas, Bangladesh, Bermuda, Canada, Japan, Singapore, South Africa and the United States; and

WHEREAS, since 1991, Pilot International has focused on helping people affected by brain-related disorders by supporting such programs as BrainMinders, Brain Awareness Week, Pilot Walk, the National Organization on Disabilities, and the Brain Matters Stroke Initiative; and

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2004, Marie Flanary was installed as Governor of the Tennessee District of Pilot International at the annual convention in Murfreesboro; and

WHEREAS, Marie has previously served as Vice President, President-Elect, Director, President (two years), and Treasurer of the Pilot Club of Kingsport and as District Treasurer, Lieutenant Governor, and Governor-Elect of the Tennessee District of Pilot International since joining the Pilot Club of Kingsport in 1994; and

WHEREAS, Marie, born on a dairy farm in Lee County, Virginia to Carl and Nannie Mullins, graduated from Dryden High School and the National Business College in Knoxville; and

WHEREAS, she was the Office Manager for Daughtery Brothers Chevrolet in Gate City, Virginia for 41 years before her retirement in 1992; and

WHEREAS, Marie enjoyed the love and companionship of Joe Flanary for 28 years before his passing in 1992; he bravely served as a police officer in Kingsport, where she currently resides with her two cats, Tux and Smoki; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Flanary epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Marie Flanary for her dedication to the State of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and commend Marie Flanary on her election as Governor of the Tennessee District of Pilot International and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.